# **DPU Volunteer Internship Program**



#### **DPU Mission**

The Department of Public Utilities (DPU) is responsible for oversight of investor-owned electric power, natural gas, and water utilities in the Commonwealth; developing alternatives to traditional regulation; monitoring service quality; regulating safety in the transportation and gas pipeline areas; and for the siting of energy facilities. The mission of the Department is to ensure that utility consumers are provided with the most reliable service at the lowest possible cost; to protect the public safety from transportation and gas pipeline related accidents; to oversee the energy facilities siting process; and to ensure that residential ratepayers' rights are protected.

The DPU's Chair, Ann Berwick, along with the Commission are committed to DPU's Internship Program as it provides a diverse educational and training opportunity for interns who are interested in the public utilities field.

### **Objectives of the DPU Internship Program**

In an effort to assist DPU with its succession planning, we continue to recruit individuals who are interested in working and utilizing their skills in the environmental field. We are providing opportunities to undergraduate students, graduate students, law school students, and other individuals who are seeking experience in the public utilities field.

As part of DPU's diversity effort and equal-opportunity policies, we seek to accommodate internships for women and men from different racial, cultural, economic and ethnic backgrounds, regardless of their sexual orientation or disability status.

#### **Internship Program Overview**

As part of DPU's talented and professional team, DPU interns are provided with education, training, hands-on experience, supervision, and networking opportunities, utilizing modern technology and information systems during their internships.

Current internship positions are paid and unpaid; providing academic assistance for students who are interested in getting academic credits in their respective schools.

Internships are conducted in supervised settings and are available in DPU's business office location within several departments.

Depending on the assigned internships, interns might be given opportunities to be involved in statewide conferences, trainings, and/or workshops. In addition to hands-on experience, the internship program

coordinates a comprehensive calendar of events which revolves around brown-bag lunches and may include field trips and recreational activities.

## **Application Deadlines and Important Dates**

Thank you for your interest in an internship with DPU. The internship program will post openings as they may become available. You encouraged to periodically search for available DPU internships opportunities at: http://www.mass.gov/DPU/Interns

Please ensure that your application is received by the DPU on or before any published due dates.

If you have any questions concerning the program that are not answered on the website, please do not hesitate to call human resources at (617) 305-3636 or email Wesley.Layne@state.ma.us.

### Apply to Participate in the DPU Internship Program

Interested individuals are required to submit their resume, cover letters, and application. When applying, please be sure to include both the number and brief internship title/description; this will ensure accuracy. See for a copy of the application.

#### Send your completed package by email or mail to:

DPU-HR@state.ma.us

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